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2 ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3 and 5-19.

3 ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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1 ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2 ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3 ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
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4 ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
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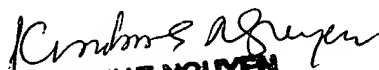
5 ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

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8 ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9 ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

  
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### ***Information Disclosure Statement***


The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 12/09/04 was filed after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance on 11/30/04. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kimbinh T. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-7644. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Thursday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Razavi can be reached at (571) 272-7664. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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